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SUBJECT: TITLE AND RANK: DIPLOMATIC PASSPORTS FOR NCO'S ASSIGNED TO
DAO, BUDAPEST

1. AT THE PRESENT TIME, TWO U.S. MILITARY NCO'S WHO ARE
ASSIGNED TO THE OFFICE OF THE DEFENSE ATTACHE IN BUDAPEST
CARRY OFFICIAL PASSPORTS. U.S. MILITARY OFFICERS ASSIGNED
TO BUDAPEST AS ATTACHE OR ASSISTANT ATTACHE CARRY DIPLOMATIC
PASSPORTS. THE DEFENSE ATTACHE HAS REQUESTED THAT THE TWO
NCO'S ALSO BE ISSUED DIPLOMATIC PASSPORTS.

2. SUPPORT OF HIS REQUEST, THE DEFENSE ATTACHE HAS
INFORMED ME THAT THE OPERATIONAL CAPABILITY OF HIS OFFICE
IS SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCED BY THE FACT THAT THE TWO NCO'S
ASSIGNED TO HIS OFFICE DO NOT CARRY DIPLOMATIC PASSPORTS.
SPECIFICALLY, IN THE ABSENCE OF DIPLOMATIC PASSPORTS, THE
TWO NCO'S CANNOT CARRY CLASSIFIED INFORMATION OUTSIDE OF
THE EMBASSY. SINCE IT IS NECESSARY FOR THE DAO TO EXCHANGE
CERTAIN CLASSIFIED INFORMATION WITH THE DEFENSE
ATTACHES OF OTHER NATO COUNTRIES ASSIGNED IN BUDA-
PEST BUT FACT THAT HIS NCO'S CANNOT CARRY THIS
INFORMATION TO ANOTHER EMBASSY SIGNIFICANTLY
REDUCES THIS COOPERATION AND MAKES IT OPERATIONALLY
MORE DIFFICULT.

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3. FURTHERMORE, IN THE ABSENCE OF DIPLOMATIC PASS-
PORTS THE NCO'S ARE NOT AVAILABLE EITHER TO SUPPORT
THE ATTACHES OUTSIDE OF THE EMBASSY WITHIN HUNGARY
OR TO DRIVE DAO VEHICLES TO EITHER AUSTRIA OR
GERMANY. THESE OPERATIONAL RESTRICTIONS ALSO REDUCE
THE EFFICIENCY OF THE DAO HERE.

4. I AM PERSUADED THAT THE ABSENCE OF DIPLOMATIC PASSPORTS FOR THE TWO NCO'S INVOLVED IMPOSES SEVERE ENOUGH OPERATIONAL HARDSHIPS ON THE DAO THAT THE SITUATION SHOULD BE CORRECTED. I RECOMMEND, THEREFORE, THAT THE DEPARTMENT CONCUR IN THE ISSURANCE OF DIPLOMATIC PASSPORTS TO THE OCCUPANTS OF THESE TWO POSITIONS.

5. IF THE DEPARTMENT CONCURS, WE WOULD NOT INCLUDE THE NOC'S IN THE DIPLOMATIC LIST SUBMITTED TO THE MFA, AS IN THE CASE OF FOREIGN SERVICE STAFF PERSONNEL ASSIGNED TO BUDAPEST WHO CARRY DIPLOMATIC PASSPORTS. THE NCO'S WOULD BE NOTIFIED TO THE MFA AS EMBASSY SUPPORT PERSONNEL.

2,. THERE ARE NO HUNGARIAN GOVERNMENT RESTRICTIONS WHICH WOULD STAND IN THE WAY OF ISSUANCE OF DIPLOMATIC PASSPORTS TO THE TWO NCO'S.

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